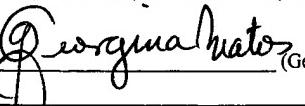




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### SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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#### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment is in supplement to the response filed on March 3, 2006 which was in response to the final Office Action dated December 6, 2005 (Paper No. 20051205), for which a response was due on March 6, 2006. This amendment is filed herewith along with a petition and fee for a 1 month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to April 6, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Issuance of the application with the allowed claims is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.